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Thank you for supporting the children and families most in need

Dear David,

On behalf of the children and families we work with, my colleagues and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and everyone at Ward Personnel for your generous donation of €3,500.00. Your kind gift will go a long way toward practically supporting the vulnerable children and families that we are supporting across Ireland during this the cost of living crisis.

Every year, Barnardos works with almost 17,000 children and families most in need. In the last two years, demand for our services has soared as more and more children and families found themselves in need of support.

In a 2022 Barnardos study we found that two thirds of parents have been forced to cut back or go without some form of essentials in the form of heat, electricity, food, transport or medicine.

But thanks to your support, our frontline teams can continue to provide much needed support to those most at risk today, tomorrow and in the months ahead. Our teams help families with intensive, targeted support through our early years and wellbeing programmes and through our family support services and practical supports with buying food, fuel, clothing and presents at Christmas.

Childhood is short, yet the adverse childhood experiences we have shape the adults we become...because childhood lasts a lifetime. By supporting Barnardos services, you are helping children who are now suffering from trauma and need emotional support, to grow up to have the tools they need to cope better in life, be more resilient and fulfil their potential.

Thank you for giving hope to those who need it most at this time of year, so they too can have a Happy Christmas and new year.

Best wishes.

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